

WEATHER

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CROPS

Week of: Nov 8 - 14, 2004

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CROP SUMMARY FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 14, 2004

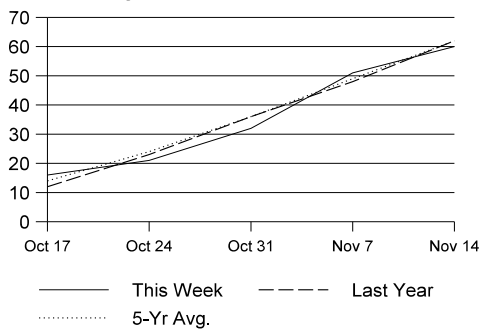
It was a cold week for Virginia. The State's average temperature dropped 12 degrees from last week to 46 degrees, 3 degrees below the norm for this time of year. Most of Virginia experienced 1 inch of rain as a storm cell passed over during the latter part of the week; with the central and eastern regions receiving twice as much. Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.7. The weather hindered the cotton and soybean harvest. Most counties have now experienced a frost. In the colder regions of the Commonwealth, pasture growth has come to an end. Some farmers began their winter activities by attending educational meetings, winterizing field equipment, and buying merchandise for 2005. Other farming activities included weaning calves, marking livestock, building fence, taking soil samples, and hunting for deer.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT				
Week Ending	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
November 14, 2004	0	2	74	24
November 7, 2004	0	1	79	20
October 31, 2004	0	1	74	25
October 24,2004	0	1	77	22
October 17, 2004	0	4	82	14

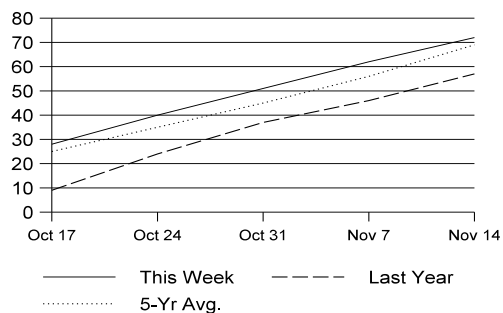
CROP CONDITION PERCENT					
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pastures	0	5	25	50	20
Livestock	0	0	10	69	21
Other Hay	3	2	23	58	14
Alfalfa Hay	3	3	18	61	15
Winter Wheat	0	2	28	62	8
Barley	0	2	19	67	12

CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Average
Beef Cattle Forage, % Obtained from Pastures	90	N/A	N/A	N/A
Milk Cow Forage, % Obtained from Pastures	23	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sheep Forage, % Obtained from Pastures	89	N/A	N/A	N/A
Soybeans Harvested	60	51	62	62
Winter Wheat Seeded	76	68	72	66
Winter Wheat Emerged	50	47	N/A	N/A
Cotton Harvested	72	62	57	69

Soybeans Harvested



Cotton Harvested



Weather Summary for the Week Ending November 14, 2004							
Weather Station	Temperature (degrees Fahrenheit)				Precipitation (inches)		
	HI	LO	Average	Departure From Normal	TOTAL	Departure From Normal	Days
NORTHERN							
Woodstock	70	25	42	-6	1.15	0.51	2
The Plains	72	24	43	-6	1.42	0.58	2
Winchester 7SE	72	25	42	-4	1.08	0.33	2
Dale Enterprise	71	25	43	-3	1.25	0.60	2
WESTERN							
Glasgow	74	28	45	-3	1.11	0.41	2
Roanoke AP	73	32	49	1	1.00	0.23	2
Waynesboro	71	26	43	-2	1.46	0.76	2
Staunton AG	69	26	44	-2	1.03	0.33	2
CENTRAL							
Somerset	72	24	44	-5	1.57	0.71	2
Piedmont Res St	72	27	45	-4	1.62	0.76	2
Bremo Bluff	76	22	44	-6	2.64	1.85	3
Richmond AP	73	31	50	-2	1.54	0.77	2
EASTERN							
Eastville	68	34	48	-6	2.43	1.73	2
Wallops Island	66	31	48	-6	2.45	1.76	2
Williamsburg	62	33	48	-5	1.88	1.05	2
Keysville	73	30	47	-3	1.62	0.85	2
SOUTHWESTERN							
Blacksburg AG	70	24	43	-2	1.23	0.53	2
Wytheville	66	23	44	0	1.33	0.70	2
Saltville	68	26	46	-2	0.53	-0.17	1
Richlands	67	25	45	4	1.00	0.21	2
SOUTHERN							
Stuart	74	27	47	-2	1.22	0.38	2
Danville AG	74	30	47	-4	1.48	0.72	2
Chatham	73	25	44	-4	1.48	0.70	2
Martinsville	73	25	45	-3	1.23	0.46	3
SOUTHEASTERN							
Norfolk VA	71	36	52	-2	1.21	0.58	2
Oceana	71	35	51	-5	1.00	0.28	2
Emporia	73	31	48	-3	1.81	0.97	2
Newport News	74	31	52	-2	1.91	1.28	2

Departure from Normal based on 1961-90 Normals.
Precipitation Days=Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more.